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SUBJ: PRESS INTEREST IN US-SOVIET FAMILY REUNIFICATION

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1. IN VIEW OF INTENSE INTEREST AMONG MEMBERS US PRESS CORPS MOSCOW ON QUESTION REUNIFICATION OF DIVIDED US-SOVIET FAMILIES, CONSOFFS HAVE BRIEFED SEVERAL MEMBERS OF CORPS (AT LATTERS' REQUEST) ON PROGRESS ACHIEVED TO DATE IN THIS AREA.
2. NYT CORRESPONDENT HENDRICK SMITH AND CBS CORRESPONDENT MURRAY FROFSON PURSUED VARIOUS QUESTIONS ABOUT SOVIET IMMIGRATION TO US IN SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH EMBASSY CONSOFFS SEPTEMBER 17. CONSOFFS ANSWERED SEVERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT MICHELSON CASE PER STATE REFTEL AND SMITH WAS PROVIDED BRIEFING ON US REP LIST WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO SEVERAL LONGSTANDING US CITIZEN REPATRIATION CASES.
3. IN RECENT DAYS OTHER REPRESENTATIVES MOSCOW PRESS CORPS (INCLUDING AP AFP REPRESENTATIVES) HAVE ALSO BEEN PRESSING EMBASSY FOR INFORMATION ABOUT US-SOVIET FAMILY REUNIFICATION PROGRESS. UNLESS DEPT BELIEVES THAT OTHER CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO BEAR IN THIS AREA, EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO RESPOND TO SUCH INQUIRIES IN LOW-KEY FACTUAL MANNER.

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